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THESE RESPONSES ARE KEYED TO THE ROMAN NUMERAL PARAGRAPHING OF REF A FOR EASE OF REFERENCE.

I. YOUTH CATEGORIES

A. ALLOCATION OF MISSION EFFORT AMONG VARIOUS YOUTH

CATEGORIES

- 35 PERCENT YOUNG POLITICAL LEADERS
- 5 PERCENT YOUNG MILITARY LEADERS
- 17 PERCENT YOUNG BUREAUCRATS, ESPECIALLY IN THE FOREIGN

AFFAIRS AREA

- 18 PERCENT YOUNG LABOR LEADERS
- 5 PERCENT YOUNG PROFESSIONALS IN BUSINESS AND IN IN INDUSTRY
- 10 PERCENT YOUNG PROFESSIONALS IN ARTS AND LETTERS
- 8 PERCENT YOUNG PROFESSIONALS IN UNIVERSITIES
- 2 PERCENT MISCELLANY

B. RATIONALE

THE WEIGHTING IS ARBITRARY ; THE 35 PERCENT FIGURE USED WITH CONFIDENTIAL

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REGARD TO YOUNG POLITICAL LEADERS IS ONLY TO SUGGEST THAT WE GIVE APPROXIMATELY TWICE AS MUCH IMPORTANCE TO THAT GROUP AS WE GIVE, SAY, TO YOUNG BUREACRATS. NONETHELESS, WE BELIEVE OUR RANKING REFLECTS THE PRESENT AND NEAR-TERM FUTURE IN TERMS OF ENTRANTS INTO THE SMALL NORWEGIAN NATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT. OUR MOST IMPORTANT EFFORT, THEN, IS WITH REGARD TO YOUNG POLITICAL LEADERS, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THEY ARE FORMALLY LEADERS OF THE YOUTH WINGS OF POLITICAL PARTIES OR WHETHER THEY ARE YOUNG POLITICAL

FIGURES, E. G.VEG OIL 1,630 - 1,630 /4

INSTANT CSM - - 540 540

TOTAL FY 74

RQMT: 20,237/5 1,880/5 540 22,657/5

/1 NON- ADD- CONTAINED IN 9,000 MT OF NOODLES.

 $^{\prime}2~$ WSB REQUIREMENT MAY BE INCREASED IF MILK NOT FORTHCOMING OTHER DONORS.

/3 /5 MILK NOT FROM TITLE II SOURCES - NOT INCLUDED IN TOTAL.

/4 IN CLUDES 180 MT ALREADY APPROVED TA 2608, AND 1,450 NEW TA REQUIREMENT. DECONTROL 4/30/74.

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B. GHATIONALE AND COMMENT

- (A) IMPROVEMENTS: WE ARE ALREADY ON RECORD (REF B) WITH A REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INTER- VISITOR GRANTS; WE BELIEVE WE COULD USE UP TO 5 MORE, WITH MUCH OF THE EMPHASIS OF ANY ADDITIONAL GRANTS DEVOTED TO YOUTH PROGRAMMING. WITHIN THIS MISSION, WE HAVE ALSO EARMARKED A PORTION OF OUR REPRESENTATION FUNDS FOR YOUTH CONTACT WORK, ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY IN THE DCM AND POLITICAL SECTIONS, AND WE HAVE FOUND THIS TO BE A HIGHLY EFFECTIVE MEANS OF ENCOUR-AGING SUCH WORK: IT HELPS TO ENSURE THAT YOUTH WORK DOES NOT DRAW EXCESSIVELY FROM THE MEAGER REPRESENTATION FUNDS OTHERWISE ALLOCATED TO THE VARIOUS SECTIONS. THE SUM NOW AMOUNTS TO DOLS 200 PER ANNUM, BUT WE COULD USE MORE. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE DEPT, IN CONSULTATION WITH POSTS, CONSIDER ALLOCATING OR SETTING ASIDE NON- DISCRETIONARY FUNDS EXCLUSIVELY FOR YOUTH CONTACT AND REPRESENTATION WORK BY POSTS. A SUM OF DOLS 500 PER ANNUM COULD BE WELL SPENT AT THIS POST, WE BELIEVE.
- (B) OTHER RESOURCES: PRIVATE RESOURCES ARE AN IMPORTANT INPUT TO THE YOUTH SCENE IN NORWAY, AT LEAST IN TERMS OF PROMOTING AND MAINTAINING POSITIVE ATTITUDES WITH REGARD TO THE UNITED STATES. HIGH ON THE LIST OF THOSE MOST EFFECTIVE IN THIS ARE THE AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE STIPENDS WHICH PERMIT YOUNG NORWEGIANS TO LIVE FOR NINE MONTHS WITH CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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AN AMERICAN

ALL OBSERVATIONS OF EXCHANGES ARE TO BE CONDUCTED BY SPECIAL TEAMS FROM SAIGON. END COMMENT.

PART V: MR 2

- 1. MR 2 WAS UNUSUALLY QUIET MAY 1, AT LEAST ACCORDING TO THE NHA TRANG REGIONAL BRIEFING, WITH TOTAL OF ONLY SIX ENEMY-INITIATED INCIDENTS REPORTED. FIVE OCCURRED IN NORTHERN BINH DINH AND THE OTHER IN TUY AN DISTRICT, PHU YEN. CASUALTIES: VC: TWENTY- ONE KIA; RVNAF: ONE KIA, SIX WIA. MOST OF THE VC LOSSES CAME IN NOON ATTACK MAY 1 ON ARVN COMPANY OUTPOST SITUATED ABOUT FIVE KMS SOUTH OF HOAI NHON DISTRICT CAPITAL AND SAME DISTANCE NORTH OF PHU CU PASS, BINH DINH. FIFTEEN ENEMY WERE KILLED IN THAT ENGAGEMENT.
- 2. KONTUM POLOFF REPORTS THAT ARVN TROOPS IN KONTUM REOCCUPIED MOST OF AN AREA NORTHWEST OF KONTUM CITY (APPARENTLY DAK ROCOT, SCENE OF CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY SINCE APRIL 18), TAKING NINE WIA IN THE PROCESS. THIS INCIDENT WAS NOT BRIEFED IN NHA TRANG.
- 3. RVN NAVY REPORTS ONE OF ITS COASTGUARD CRAFT DETAINED A FISHING BOAT IN THE XON BONG ESTUARY NORTH OF NHA TRANG CITY. ACCORDING TO THE NAVY, ON BOARD WERE THREE MALE AND FOUR FEMALE COMMUNIST PURCHASING AGENTS, A NEW RICE MILL, TWO MILLION

PIASTERS IN CASH, AND A QUANTITY OF WESTERN MEDICINE. CARGO AND AGENTS WERE TURNED OVER BY NAVY PERSONNEL TO KHANH NOA NATIONAL POLICE.

4. APRIL 30 KONTUM POLOFF ATTENDED MEETING HELD BY BRIG. GEN. CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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CAM, CG ARVN 23 RD DIVISION, WITH HIS STAFF OFFICERS. CAM STATED THAT MAJ. GEM, TOAN, MR 2 COMMANDER, FULLY EXPECTS AN ENEMY OFFENSIVE IN MR 2 WITHIN COMING MONTHS. ALTHOUGH TIMING CANNOT BE KNOWN, BATTLEFIELDS ARE CERTAIN TO BE KONTUM, PLEIKU, AND BINH DINH. THEREFORE, IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN PREPARATIONS IN MOST PROBABLE AREAS OF ATTACK, TOAN HAS REDRAWN AO OF 23 RD DIVISION TO INCLUDE ONLY KONTUM AND PLEIKU PROVINCES, DROPPING DARLAC. CAM EXHORTED HIS STAFF TO DEVOTE ENERGY TO DEFENSIVE PREPARATIONS AND TO VIE HIGHEST PRIORITY IN COMING WEEKS TO TRAINING. REST. AND RESUPPLY OF ALL UNITS IN KONTUM AND PLEIKU.

- 5. REGION 3 (PLEIKU) ICCS HQ SENT REGULAR ALTERNATE- DAY RE- SUPPLY CHOPPER TO DUC CO MAY 1 IN ABSENCE OF PRG APPROVAL FOR EVACUATION OF ENTIRE TEAM. ON BOARD WAS AN INDODEL OFFICER TO REPLACE THE ONE INDODEL CAPTAIN WHO WAS BEEN THERE FORSEVERAL WEEKS. (CANDEL IN DUC CO WAS LIKEWISE CUT BACK TO ONE MAN SOME TIME AGO, BECAUSE DUC CO TEAM HAS NOTHING OFFICIAL TO DO AND IS RESTRICTED IN EVERY MOVEMENT.) PRG INSISTED THAT ARRIVING INDODEL DISEMBARK AND MOVE AWAY FROM LANDING ZONE WITH HIS LUGGAGE BEFORE PERMITTING INDODEL CAPTAIN TO DEPART. PLEIKU POLOFF COMMENTS THAT THIS EPISODE DEMONSTRATES PRG'S STRONG DESIRE TO KEEP AN ICCS TEAM-- AND PREFERABLE ONE WITH ALL CHIPS REPRESENTED-- AT DUC CO, PRESUMABLY AS INSURANCE AGAINST GVN MILITARY ACTION AGAINST THE AREA.
- 6. THE BAN ME THUOT ICCS TEAM PAID ITS LONG- AWAITED VISIT TO BUON HO DISTRICT APRIL 30. DISTRICT CHIEF AND CHIEF OF GVN ELEMENT FOR LOCAL TPJMC ACCOMPANIED THE ICCS. AT EVERY HAMLET AND MONTAGNARD VILLAGE AFFECTED BY THE ENEMY'S CEASEFIRE ATTACK, CROWDS OF PEOPLE WITH STACKS OF PROTEST PETITIONS TURNED OUT TO MEET THE CHIPS. AT ONE HAMLET IN HAI LAN VILLAGE, ICCS MOTORCADE WAS STOPPED BY GROUPS OF WOMEN IN MOURNING WHO WERE WAILING AND RENDING THEIR GARMENTS. WHOLE TRIP WAS OBVIOUSLY STAGE MANAGED, A POINT NOT LOST ON ICCS, BOTH CANDEL AND HUNGDEL LATER TOLD POLOFF THAT TOUR HAD BEEN A BIT MUCH. POLOFF BELIEVES THAT, AS CONSEQUENCE THIS GVN "PASSION PLAY", MUCH OF TRIP'S BENEFIT WAS VITIATED AND FACT THAT SERIOUS CEASEFIRE VIOLATION HAD TAKEN PLACE IN BUON HO WAS OBSCURED.
- 7. LT. COL. KAPA OF BAO LOC POLDELECENTLY REPORTED ALL THE WAY TO SAIGON "THEFT" OF CERTAIN ITEMS FROM THE POLISH SIDE OF THE CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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ICCS HOUSE, EVIDENTLY WHILE HE WAS OUT OF TOWN. RESULT OF COMPLAINT (PERHAPS MORE THAN KAPA BARGAINED FOR) WAS THAT LAM DONG PROVINCE CHIEF IS NOW UNDER ORDERS FROM SAIGON TO CONDUCT AN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION OF THE "THEFT"; INVESTIGATION EXPECTED TODAY, MAY 2. MEANWHILE, CANDEL HAS TOLD POLOFF THAT "STOLEN" PROPERTY CONSISTED OF HALF- KILO OF GARLIC (POSSIBLY OF POLISH ORIGIN) AND SIX CANS OF COKE. CANDEL ADDS THAT AN INDODEL HAS CONFESSED TO DRINKING THE COKES "BY MISTAKE"; FEEEEEEEE

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